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being scolded, for what reason I don't know, because I disagreed with them on a bill and I resent that. I don't think it's called for. It was their right, that's fine, but it's also my right to respond. We did the best we could with this bill. It's not ready. It's a piece of legislation that's not ready. You tell me, did you want to vote for something to give somebody 110 percent of their current salary? They're making \$30,000 now, they make \$33,000 on retirement. You tell me. I'd love to see the body vote on that. It wasn't ready, folks, and that's why it didn't come out of committee. The reason I voted for it, as Senator Bourne said, I thought we'd have the discussion out here on the floor. That's the only reason I voted for it. But I wasn't ready to support the bill to its passage. With that, I'd withdraw my amendment.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Motion is withdrawn. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Chambers would move to return the bill.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Chambers, recognized on your motion to return LB 711.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, my motion is to return to strike the enacting clause. And had not Senator Kristensen spoke...spoken in such a restrained manner, I would have left my motion up there and the bill would lay over because the introducer is not here and it would lay over anyway, unless the introducer said take it up now. Senator Bruning decided to play hardball. I would like to ask him a question for my edification.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Bruning, would you yield?

SENATOR BRUNING: Yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Bruning, did you in fact have the discussion with Senator Kristensen, in March, that he told us you had?

SENATOR BRUNING: I said I would take it to the committee.